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Selectmen's Minutes 11-16-2009

TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

M eeting M inutes M onday, November 16, 2009

7:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Greeley, Chair, Mrs. Mahon, Vice Chair, Mr. Hurd, Ms. LaCourt and Ms. Rowe

Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Ms. Rice and Mrs. Krepelka

Mr. Greeley opened the meeting by stating that he had a wonderful trip to Nagaokakyo, Japan – Arlington's Sister City and is truly grateful for the experience. There were welcoming ceremonies with the Mayor and Governor. There was a parade through the City of Nagaokakyo and a private tour of one of the Imperial Palaces. The Japanese people were very warm, polite and wonderful.

FOR APPROVAL

- 1. CONSENT AGENDA (one vote required for approval of all items)
 - a. Minutes of Meetings: October 26, 2009
 - b. <u>Request: One Day All Alcohol License</u>, 11/25/09 @ Arlington Catholic High School Library, Gridiron Club Lee-Ann Pepicelli, Director of Development
 - c. Request: Change of d/b/a @ 137-137A Massachusetts Avenue

Spy Pond Beer & Wine, LLC

Current: Arlington Wine Shop Request: Giles Fine Wine

d. Request: One Day Beer & Malt License, 12/13/09 @ The Regent Theatre

Rock 'n Soul Holiday Concert

Benefit for The Music Museum of New England

Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

National Grid Delivery Petition/Drake Road

Dennis K. Regan

(all abutters notified)

Mrs. Mahon asked Mr. Regan to call the office with the name of the field engineer that will be on site everyday during the construction.

Mr. Hurd moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

3. <u>Bond Approval: Symmes Borrowing Options</u>

Stephen Gilligan, Treasurer

The Board voted unanimous to have Mr. Gilligan proceed with his recommendation to convert the tax-exempt Bond Anticipation Notes pertaining to the Symmes site project to General Obligation Bonds prior to the end of the calendar year,

with the following conditions as recommended:

Said bond issue to have a final maturity no later than the FY2022, $\,$

be issued with a long first coupon, the debt schedule of principal and

interest structured as level debt, and to capitalize the current BAN interest payment.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

LICENSES & PERMITS

4. Request: Free Parking 12/5, 12/12 and 12/19 for Holiday Shopping

Dr. Maureen Gormley, Executive Board, Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VC

SO VOTED (5-0)

CITIZENS OPEN FORUM

Brian Greeley, Chairman of the Patriots Day Parade, announced that the Committee is having a fund raiser and silent auction at the Arlington Sons of Italy on Friday, November 20, 2009, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 per person and the silent auction will have many items to bid on.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

5. For Approval: Opening of Warrant 2010

Mrs. Krepelka asked the Board to approve the opening of the Warrant for 2010. Said Warrant will open on Tuesday, December 1, 2009 8:00 a.m. and will remain open until Friday, January 22, 2010 at 12 Noon.

Ms. LaCourt moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Correspondence Received

Frank Foss, Senior Manager Channel

Channel Changes Be Rec'd

Comcast

Leland Stein Regent Theatre Response to Commercial Be Rec'd

Richard W. Stavros Development Study

Regent Theatre

Mr. Hurd moved that Mr. Stein's letter regarding street parking/bus stop and taxi stands be referred to the Town Manager for comments and recommendations. All other requests from Mr. Stein should be referred to the Transportation Advisory Committee.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Ms. LaCourt moved receipt of correspondence.

SO VOTED (5-0)

New Business

Mr. Sullivan stated that the National League of Cities was sponsoring a Prescription Discount Card for all town residents regardless of their income or whether they have health insurance. The discount card could save residents 20% off the retail prices of prescription drugs. Said cards will be available December 17th.

Mr. Sullivan stated that it appears that we will be getting stimulus funds for the Forest Street project. He should have a confirmation within four weeks and will let the Board know as soon as he is told.

Mr. Sullivan stated that State Senator Kenneth Donnelly is scheduled to meet with town officials and the Department of Conservation and Recreation to address complaints about noise coming from Dilboy Field in Somerville on Dec. 7th. The location will be determined at a later date according to Cindy Friedman, Chief of Staff. The noise coming from stadium's speakers has been

upsetting to the residents on Sunnyside Avenue.

Mrs. Mahon stated she would like Town Counsel to look into submitting Warrant Articles regarding grandfathering current/retired Board of Selectmen from health insurance. Also wants a Warrant Article to close all loopholes so that the school IT employees fall directly under the jurisdiction of Town Manager.

Mrs. Mahon stated she would be attending a seminar on Weatherization Programs in Hopkinton, MA on Friday, November 20th with members of the Governor's staff and invited any member of the Board to attend.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Addendum - November 16, 2009

Article V - Warrant Special Town Meeting

Mr. Greeley asked the Board to consider postponing Article 5 until the Annual Town Meeting. He feels that it is confusing with Article 4 and the Board should now wait until Spring. If the State approved the measure for two new liquor licenses, the existing beer and wine stores would be at a disadvantage to any store that received one of the new liquor licenses.

Ms. Rowe moved to take no action on Article 5.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A true record: Attest

Marie A. Krepelka Board Administrator